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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: SHIMOKAWA, et al.

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For: DATA STRUCTURE IN DATABASE, DATABASE SYSTEM FOR  
MANAGING DATABASE AND DATABASE MANAGING METHOD  
AND SYSTEM

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**AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner  
for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

October 26, 2000

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 31, 2000, setting a shortened statutory period for response to expire on November 30, 2000, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth therein and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

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**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend the claims as follows:

- SUB E1* →
1. (Thrice Amended) A data structure, stored on a storage medium, in a database, comprising:
- (1)*
- a plurality of data areas, each of said plurality of data areas being loaded with data [for] generated in time series during a certain time, the plurality of